



City of Scottsdale
Environmental Quality Advisory Board
Water Advisory Committee

MINUTES
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7:30 am, Tuesday, December 11, 2007
City of Scottsdale Water Resources Administration Building
9388 E. San Salvador Drive

Attending: Bill Gill, Chair
Brian Munson
Don Manthe

Staff: Beth Miller, Water Resources Advisor
Christina Klien, Water Conservation Coordinator
Ashley Couch, Stormwater Management Director
Bill Erickson, Senior Storm Water Planner

Agenda:

Chairman Gill called the meeting to order at 7:42 am

1. Approval of minutes of November 13th meeting.

Minutes were approved as written.

2. Stormwater program update.

Bill Erickson and Ashley Couch of Scottsdale's stormwater program provided an update on the City's stormwater management efforts. The City is working jointly with the other large municipalities in the Phoenix area to negotiate a stormwater NPDES permit with ADEQ. This permit is not expected to be issued until March 2009.

Mr. Erickson and Mr. Couch also discussed odor issues in the storm drains in the City's downtown area. They are working with the Downtown Group and the area restaurants to discuss the issue and develop a plan to address the problem. The committee members thought that the EQAB might be interested in getting involved in this issue. Further discussions, with a possible recommendation, will follow at the January 8, 2008 meeting of the committee.

3. Reclaimed water reuse and salinity.

Marshall Brown was unable to attend the committee meeting. Beth Miller reported that there had been no response from the RWDS golf courses to the City's counterproposal. A response is expected before the holidays, and will be presented to the committee at their January 2008 meeting.

4. Water conservation program update.

Christina Klien distributed conservation program statistics to the committee. She noted that the water conservation group, as a part of their long range plan, was considering strategies to increase the awareness of the commercial turf removal rebate, and hopefully increase the participation. Ms. Klien also reported that the City had decided to enter into an MOU with the Arizona Department of Water Resources to implement the Rinse Smart program for installing water conserving spray valves in restaurant properties in the City. She anticipated that this MOU would be completed in the next several months. The committee thanked Ms. Klien for her report.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 8:44 am.